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DECENTRALIZATION

OUTCOME OF THE INFORMAL CONSULTATIVE GROUPS

Note by the Secretariat

Refers to developments at the level of the informal advisory group on decentralization referred to in document IDB.28/7.

1. The report on the outcome of the informal consultative groups included information concerning the establishment by the Director-General of an informal advisory group to assist him in making an informed decision on carrying forward the process of decentralization (IDB.28/7, paras. 12 and 13)

2. An information note circulated on 19 May 2004 provided permanent missions with a summary note on the three meetings held, as well as on supporting consultations with regional groups, in which more than 80 Member States participated. Additional details are contained in a conference room paper to be distributed to the current session.

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